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1. FOLLOWING ARE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS ON PLANS OF HUNLEDE, MIVEDOR, AND DOGO WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBLE APPROACHES FOR U.S. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.

2. HUNLEDE, WHO IS NOW IN NEW YORK, WILL PROBABLY VISIT WASHINGTON. WHETHER HE HAS PLANS TO RAISE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE QUESTION IS NOT KNOWN.

3. IN CASUAL CONVERSATION OCTOBER 11 WITH MIVEDOR'S
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DIRECTOR OF CABINET CREPPY, I NOTED MIVEDOR'S INTENTION TO VISIT

U.S. AND ASKED CREPPY WHAT PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS. CREPPY SAID PURPOSE WAS TO CONCLUDE AGREEMENTS WITH IBRD FOR FINANCING OF (A) REPAYING BLITTA-SOKODE ROAD, (B) IMPROVING SOKODE-KAMBOLE ROAD, AND (C) CONSTRUCTING ROAD FROM NUATJA TO AGOU, NEAR PALIME. (LATTER TWO WILL NOT BE HARD SURFACED. AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE ON ALL THREE ALREADY REACHED.) MIVEDOR LEAVES LOME FOR U.S. ON 12 OCTOBER.

4. WHEN I ASKED CREPPY IF MIVEDOR HAD ANY BUSINESS TO TAKE UP WITH USG ON THIS TRIP, CREPPY SAID HE KNEW OF NONE. IT SEEMS QUITE POSSIBLE THAT HE MAY DO SO, HOWEVER, AFTER TALKING TO MAWUSSI. DEPT WILL RECALL THAT HE RAISED QUESTION OF U.S. ASSISTANCE ON CIMA O INFRASTRUCTURE IN MEETING WITH ME APRIL 12 (REF B). CIMA O PROJECT SEEMED LESS PROMISING THEN THAN NOW. IN RECENT CALL ON ME IBRD TOGO DESK OFFICER AGUIRRE SACASA WAS MUCH MORE POSITIVE TOWARD BOTH PRACTICALITY OF PROJECT AND LIKELIHOOD OF IBRD FINANCING THAN HE OR ANY OTHER IBRD REP HAD BEEN IN EARLIER DISCUSSIONS WITH ME.

5. DOGO'S PLANS IF ANY, TO APPROACH U.S. AUTHORITIES IN WASHINGTON, ARE NOT KNOWN, BUT I HOPE HE WILL BE AMONG THOSE DR. ADAMS WILL MEET ON VISIT HERE EARLY NEXT WEEK, AT WHICH TIME TOGOLESE CAN BE EXPECTED TO REVEAL ANY ASPIRATIONS THEY MAY BE HARBORING CONCERNING U.S. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.
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